GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PLANTING OF BOMBS IN PLANES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases regarding planting of bombs in planes occurred during the year 2000-2001 and till date;

(b) the number of cases out of these found false;

(c) whether a false informer can easily be identified through Caller ID;

(d) if so, whether any proposal is under consideration with the Government to install `Caller ID` at main exchange andoffices of Airlines to identify the false informers and take proper action against them accordingly; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) In the year 2000, 37 calls were received regarding alleged planting of explosives/bombs in various flights. This year, there have been 29 calls till date.

(b) All the calls were found to be hoax.

(c) Through the `Caller Identification Facility`, the telephone number from which a person is making call can be traced.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. `Caller Identification Facility` has already been installed on important telephones at a number of airports.